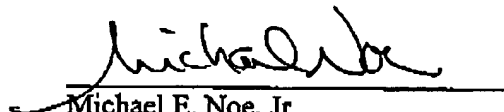


REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the suggestions offered by the examiner to overcome the objections to Claims 4, 8, 10, 15, 19, and 22. Accordingly, Claims 1 and 12 were rewritten to include the language of canceled Claims 4 and 22, respectively. Applicant also has added new independent Claim 23, which is the combination of Claims 1 and 8, new independent Claim 29, which is the combination of Claims 1 and 10, and additional dependent claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and favorable action is requested. No fee for an extension of time or other fees are believed to be required. However, in the event that one or more fees are required, please charge them to **Bracewell & Giuliani LLP's Deposit Account Number 50-0259.**

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